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For : CABLE/TUBE INSTALLATION SYSTEM FOR
COMPONENT MOUNTING APPARATUS

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND COVER LETTER
SUBMITTING AMENDED PAGES OF APPLICATION**

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Sir:

Enclosed please find an English translation of replacement sheet of the claims which were filed as a PCT Article 34 Amendment on April 21, 2004 in International Application No. PCT/JP2003/015569. These sheets replace pages 20 -23 of the English translation of the International Application filed concurrently herewith and include claims 1, 2, and 5 - 9 (claims 3 and 4 having been cancelled).

Based upon the submission of amended sheets of claims, Applicants respectfully request examination on the merits of the application containing the amended pages of claims in place of the originally filed claims of the International Application as originally filed.

Additionally, prior to the examination of the above-identified application including the replacement claims amendment of claims 7, 8,

and 9, and addition of claims 10, 11, and 12, as follows, is respectfully requested to remove multiple dependent claims.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.